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SUBJECT: PANAMANIAN REQUEST FOR FMS SALE OF UHIB HELICOPTERS

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1. THE SEVEN HELICOPTERS REQUESTED BY THE PANAMANIAN GN UNDER REF A WILL BE OWNED, MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY THE PANAMANIAN AIR FORCE. ALL UHIB HELICOPTERS WILL BE POOLED UNDER THE AIR FORCE AND USED FOR VARIOUS MISSIONS INCLUDING GENERAL TRANSPORTATION FOR GOVERNMENTAL MINISTRIES AND AGENCIES IN SUPPORT OF CIVIC ACTION AND NATION BUILDING PROJECTS. ALTHOUGH THIS IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE AIR FORCE MISSION, IT IS NOT THEIR SOLE OR PRIMARY ROLE.

2. ALL OPERATIONS PLANNED FOR UHIBS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE MILITARY IN SUPPORT OF THE OVERALL GN MISSION. COMPONENTS AND PARTS OBTAINED THROUGH CANNIBALIZATION WILL BE USED FOR MILITARY AIRCRAFT. WE SEE THIS REQUEST AS ONE MEETING ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FOREIGN MILITARY SALES ACT.
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